Non-extension of the services of retiring officers

2319. SHRI CHO. S. RAMASWAMY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have taken a decision not to extend the services of retiring administrative officials across the country;

(b) if so, whether this will also be applicable to the State Governments or they can have their own discretion;

(c) what will be the criteria adopted to give extension on special cases where the extension becomes necessary; and

(d) by when this decision would come into force?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) The policy relating to extension of service is laid down in Fundamental Rules 56(d). In terms of this rule, extension beyond the age of superannuation of 60 years is permissible to a Government servant dealing with the budget work or working as a full time member of a Committee, a specialist in medical or scientific fields and Cabinet Secretary only.

(b) No, Sir. Service Rules of the Central Government are not applicable to State Governments. State Governments can frame their own rules.

(c) Extension of service can be granted to the above categories of Government servants mentioned in Fundamental Rules 56(d) in public interest.

(d) The decision is already in force.

Lokpal Bill

2330. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB PEEVEE:
SHRI DARA SINGH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to bring forward Lokpal Bill during the current session of Parliament which is pending legislation for the last 36 years;